

Water Boards' Bay-Delta Strategic Workplan

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Delta Team

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- **State Water Board**
- **Central Valley Regional Water Board**
- **San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board**

Delta Actions Resolution

- **Listed Water Boards' coordinated activities**
- **Directed staff to prepare a Strategic Workplan**

Draft Strategic Workplan

- **High priority Bay-Delta activities for the next 5 years**
- **Recognizes Water Boards' core responsibilities & existing commitments**
- **Builds on existing processes**

Responsive to Governor's Priorities

- **Water conservation**
- **Interim actions to protect & restore Delta habitat**
- **Program to protect Delta water quality**
- **Study alternatives to improve Delta water conveyance**

Strategic Workplan Elements

- ✓ **Water Quality Control**
- ✓ **Comprehensive Monitoring Program**
 - **Southern Delta Salinity/San Joaquin River Flows**
 - **Suisun Marsh**
 - **Review of Bay-Delta Plan**
- **SWP/CVP Methods of Diversion**
- **Investigate, Enforce Water Rights, Other to Ensure Flows**
- **Water Use Efficiency**
- **Other Activities**

Water Quality Control

Existing Commitments

- **TMDLs**
- **Drinking Water Policy**
- **Salinity Management Plan**
- **Once-Through Cooling Policy**
- **Sediment Quality Objectives**
- **Invasive Species Management**

Water Quality Control

New Activities

- **Regional Monitoring Program**
 - Characterize Delta Island Discharges
- **Evaluate Effects of Ammonia**
- **Selenium Screening Study**
- **In-Delta Pesticide Use**

Regional Monitoring Program

- **Short-Term:**
 - Annual comprehensive assessment of existing water quality data
 - Cost neutral
- **Long-Term:**
 - Integrated, coordinated Delta Regional Monitoring Program

Evaluating Effects of Ammonia

- **Delta smelt**
- **Primary production**

Selenium Screening Studies

- **Analyze archived fish to:**
 - **Establish background selenium levels**
 - **Determine potential impairment**

In-Delta Pesticide Use

- **Improve coordination with DPR & Delta County Agriculture Commissioners**
- **No funding identified**

Factual / Informational Hearings

- **Evidentiary Hearings**
 - Sources of salinity to the Delta
 - Impacts of constant or variable salinity on Delta species
 - Benefits of fish screens on in-Delta diversion
 - Impacts of ammonia discharges
 - Impacts of toxic substances
 - Effects of net outflow objectives on Delta species

Proposed Timeline

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Questions?